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HIGH HONOR

Deferred On United States Senator J. B. McCreary.

Elected President Peace and Arbitration League.

Will Draw Salary of \$7,500 Each Year.

GOSSIPY NEWS FROM THE INSIDER.

(Special Correspondence.)

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 28.—It is really most gratifying to the friends of Senator James B. McCreary to hear that he has been signally honored by the Peace and Arbitration League of the U. S., which has just elected him President. He is to assume his active duties as soon as his term as U. S. Senator expires next month. His headquarters will be in New York, and he will draw a salary of \$7,500 a year, the same that he drew as U. S. Senator.

President Theodore Roosevelt and Admiral George Dewey are honorary presidents of the organization. It is a splendid commentary on the two Kentucky Senators at Washington of best known recent fame, that immediately after their retirement from office, they were given positions of high honor and emolument. Senator J. C. S. Blackburn, after a long and distinguished career, was made Governor of the Canal Zone by a President of the nation, and he is now serving in that capacity with great credit to himself and his State. Senator McCreary's record in Congress is intimately associated with movements for peace and arbitration. Some years ago his bill providing for the Pan-American Congress, which met in Washington, and was attended by sixteen of the American Republics. The Peace and Arbitration League of the United States is the outgrowth of the Congress which Senator McCreary was instrumental in bringing about, and which will make a place for him in the history of the American Nations. It is not known whether Senator McCreary will be compelled to take up his residence in New York, but it is hoped that the duties are not such as will require him to give up his residence in Kentucky.

And by the way, since I was talking about Kentucky Senators who have been honored by American Presidents upon their retirement from political office, I recall that Senator Lindsay was made a Commissioner of the Worlds Fair at St. Louis, to represent the interests of the United States Government.

I mentioned some place that Dr. Milton Board intended resigning as a member of the State Board of Control. I know this is not true. Dr. Board intends remaining on the board until his term expires, January 1, and I understand that he would be glad to serve after that, but that he will make no application for re-appointment. The Doctor has organized a sanitarium in Louisville, and I imagine that he is establishing himself against the day that he will be without his regular monthly voucher upon the State Treasurer. It is likely that he will make Louisville his home.

A man may fool the public, but it is difficult to pull the wool over the eyes of his valet or his chauffeur. Indeed, some high brow is credited with the statement that no man is a hero in the eyes of his buzz wagon pilot. My only acquaintance with chauffeurs has been in "side-stepping" their machines, but if the high brow was right any man who is idolized by his chauffeur must be the goods all right.

That's the case with Charles F. Grainger and his motorist. The young fellow came from New York. I was talking with him the other day.

"I been down here about twelve months," said he, "and have been

keeping my eyes and ears open one that don't like Charley Grainger. Grainger stands ace high with his chauffeur.

THE INSIDER.

Citizenship Restored To Released Convict.

WILL MONTGOMERY RECEIVES MERCY AFTER SERVING HIS FULL SENTENCE.

When he walked out of the doors of the penitentiary Friday afternoon, after having been a prisoner for eight years, Will Montgomery, a negro, became a citizen of the State with all the rights accorded another citizen. The negro paid the full penalty and as an act of justice at the end Gov. Cox restored him to citizenship.

Montgomery was convicted of house-breaking in Louisville, and a paint brush, valued at 20 cents, which he had in his possession, was the principal evidence used against him. It was shown that the brush had been stolen from the house which had been entered. Montgomery contended that he had bought the brush. He was convicted and sentenced to serve the eight years. His term was completed yesterday, and he was released. Application had been made to Gov. Cox and Gov. Willson for the restoration to citizenship, on the ground that there is grave doubt about his guilt and he had paid his penalty.

Mysterious Paper Sent To Dr. Ben L. Bruner.

COPY OF JEWISH DAILY WITH MARKED ARTICLE ON FRONT PAGE—CONTENTS UNKNOWN.

Dr. Ben L. Bruner, Secretary of State, is looking for somebody who can read Hebrew, or Yiddish as he has a communication that puzzles him. In the mail Friday morning Dr. Bruner found a Jewish paper, published in New York. An article, or rather a portion of an article, on the front page was marked. Dr. Bruner found the marked article all right, but he has no idea what the article is about. He has not been able to find anybody in Frankfort who can read Yiddish, and his curiosity is fast getting the better of him. He wonders in the first place what that article is about; then he wonders why it was sent to him, and who sent it, and such things as that. All these things have thus far remained unsolved. Somebody suggested that it was an article telling of the Black Hand's plans. It is a news item and not an editorial, that is certain.

The Rev. A. B. Chinn Resigns As Pastor.

The Rev. A. B. Chinn, rector of the Church of the Ascension, has tendered his resignation, and expects to leave Frankfort, but he has not yet announced where his new field will be. The vestry will act on his resignation some time next week.

He has invitations from two Bishops outside of this State to come into their dioceses, but he had not intimated to any person who and where they are, and he will not until his resignation had been finally acted on. Rev. Chinn says he is sure he can not find any where the people are lovelier to him than in Frankfort, and if he leaves he will leave with regret, but he will leave all year, and he should go forth to work in other fields, and that in going he answers a call of duty.

HAINS BROTHERS HELD WITHOUT BAIL.

New York, Aug. 28.—Capt. Peter C. Hains, of the United States Army, who shot and killed William E. Annis at Bayside, L. I., nearly two weeks ago (and Capt. Hains' brother, T. Jenkins Hains, a writer for magazines (who, it is charged, held the spectators at bay while the captain did the killing, were arraigned in a Magistrate's court in Long Island City to-day on a charge of murder. Both were held without bail to the grand-jury.

FOR CANTRILL

Friends Of Judge Polsgrove Will Work

Claim They Will Carry Franklin County.

Congressional Fight Is Now a Bitter One.

BOTH CANDIDATES ARE CONFIDENT

Friends of J. Campbell Cantrill and Judge James H. Polsgrove say that there is no question but that Franklin county will send a delegation to the Seventh District Congressional Convention, at Lexington, instructed for Mr. Cantrill. Judge Polsgrove and his friends are backing Mr. Cantrill and claim to have this county won for their man. On the other hand the friends of W. P. Kimball, Mr. Cantrill's opponent, say that the county will go uninstructed or instructed for Mr. Kimball, but they are not making very noisy claims for their candidate. It is thought by those best posted on political affairs in the county that Franklin will certainly be for Mr. Cantrill.

This county is to be the main battle ground in the Congressional race, and it is probable that the candidate who carries Franklin county will be nominated for Congress in this district. The fight has grown bitter during the last few weeks and mud has been slung, but the campaign in Franklin county has been a sort of still hunt. In the other counties the two candidates have been making speeches and have been calling each other names and saying mean things. At Owenton it is claimed that one of Mr. Kimball's supporters was hissed when he tried to make a speech. The fight which is being made on Mr. Cantrill is bitter, and charges and slights and slurs are being hurled at him.

It is claimed that a deal was effected in this county by which Mr. Cantrill is to get the county in the Congressional race and Judge Polsgrove is to get Scott county in the race for Commonwealth's Attorney in this judicial district. This story is generally believed and it is also believed that the arrangement will be carried out. Whether or not it is true is a question which each man decides for himself, as none of those interested has had anything to say on the subject.

The county mass convention will be called to order in the courthouse at 2 o'clock Saturday, and probably will not take long. One side or the other will win and then it will be all over but the district convention meets in Lexington on September 3.

MUST CLOSE

Unless Help Comes To Local Branch of Y. M. C. A.

DIRECTORS FIX SEPTEMBER 15 AS DATE FOR SHUTTING DOORS.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A. Thursday night, it was decided to close the doors of the institution September 15 unless some plan is evolved in the meantime whereby the debt of the Association can be paid. The directors decided to send out a final appeal to the citizens of Frankfort in the hope that the people will become aroused to a sense of duty and lend their aid to this worthy cause. All of the members of the Board of Directors expressed themselves as being unwilling to take

the responsibility of closing the doors of the institution to the young men of the city without first giving the citizens of Frankfort an opportunity to take the matter over carefully. The matter is as follows:

To the People of Frankfort:

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the local Y. M. C. A. on August 27th, it was determined, because of the importance of the situation with reference to the institution and the responsibility of the management, and indeed of the city itself, that another appeal and a final one should be made to you and another opportunity given you to come to the aid of the Association, and that the newspapers of the city be asked to publish this letter.

The Association is without a Secretary, and the Board is unwilling to attempt to call one in the present financial condition and without some assurance that the present debt will be paid in the future in some measure.

It is the sense of the Board that unless these things shall be done by the 15th of September the doors of this institution should be closed for good.

The "one dollar" canvass in May and the Union Meeting held at the Baptist Church in July, resulted in paid contributions of less than \$100, which has been applied to the debt of more than \$1,500, which was owing on May 31st. Some small pledges have been redeemed, some few memberships and other monies have been collected, amounting to something over \$100, which has been applied to the running expenses—the expenses, save what has been saved from salary of general secretary, have been the same—so that the financial condition is practically the same as it was the first of June. It can not go on this way.

There are a number of memberships that would be renewed and new members that are ready to come in, if they could be assured of the life of the Association. This the directors are unwilling and unable to promise. The matter is, therefore, laid before you that you may say definitely whether or not the doors of the Association will be closed at the time named. The question will be answered by your contributions.

Any one who desires to contribute can do so by depositing his contribution in the State National Bank to the credit of the Treasurer. A list will later be made of the contributors and of the amounts given. It can not be expected that another personal canvass be made. Whoever gives must do so voluntarily.

We, as members of the Board of Directors, have done all that we can do, and the further responsibility is left with you to decide. We have not taking the responsibility of closing the institution without this last appeal, because both during the one dollar canvass that was made and at the Union Meeting a large percentage of those taking part and contributing expressed their opinion that the work should be continued, thus leaving us no option in the matter but to put the question again to the citizens, which we now do.

We make this appeal with the sincere hope that Frankfort will say in no uncertain terms that it can not afford to let this Association die.

ROBT. L. GREENE, President.
J. W. JEFFERS,
G. E. KAGIN,
RALPH WILSON,
HUBERT VRELAND,
STEELE READING,
A. H. McCURE,
ELI H. BROWN, JR.,
W. C. MARSHALL,
M. R. TODD, Directors.

Railway Company Goes Free Without Trial.

Gov. Cox has pardoned the Owensboro Railway Co. of the charge of failing to report to the State Board of Assessment and Valuations. The indictment was returned in the Franklin Circuit Court and no trial has been had. It was shown to Gov. Cox that the report had been made, but had not been sworn to.

The Governor also pardoned Lewis Johnson, convicted in Jackson county on a charge of arson and sentenced to serve three years in the penitentiary. Johnson was the tool of another man.

LOWER RATES

May Be Allowed On Property In Frankfort.

Fire Insurance Experts Now Inspecting City.

Hope To Put It In a Lower Classification.

TWO ENGINE HOUSES ARE NEEDED.

A general reduction of fire insurance rates is expected to follow the new rating which is to be given Frankfort by J. D. Pollock, of Chicago, and Edward Sherley, of Louisville, representing the Kentucky Board of Fire Underwriters. The work of rating Frankfort has already begun and will be completed in about sixty days, when the Kentucky Board will decide in what class Frankfort belongs. At present Frankfort is known as a fourth class town. The classification depends on fire hazards and protection, and it is hoped to put the city in a lower class where the rates will be slightly less than they are at present.

If Frankfort had another engine house and another engine, located on the South Side, or widely separated from the present engine house, the insurance rate could be materially reduced. The rate now is higher than it should be, the insurance men say, because, if a fire should start in a frame house near the new capital, as an instance, it could burn before the engine could reach it from the North Side. The idea of having another engine house, in South Frankfort, has been suggested and it is thought that one will be established some time. The insurance men say that the difference in rates would about pay the cost of the engine house.

In rating Frankfort Mr. Pollock and Mr. Sherley will go over every house in the city. They will examine the houses and determine the hazards and fix a rate for each. The material of which the house is built, its location with regard to the other houses near it, and the kind of those houses will determine the rate. A row of frame houses must pay a higher rate than a row of brick houses or a brick house, even though the latter is surrounded by frame houses.

Mr. Sherley and Mr. Pollock have inspected the reservoir and water plant in Frankfort, and also looked over the fire department. They will inspect the fire plugs and go thoroughly into every detail of the fire fighting equipment in the city. They believe that the rating may be reduced some. The present rate is not oppressive and the property owners are not protesting.

Swarm Of Bees Wrecks Big Auto On Road.

An automobile accident, in which the car was wrecked, but nobody seriously hurt, was caused by bees when C. E. Soper, of Richmond, ran into a swarm of the insects about seven miles from Lexington. A woman with him threw the lap covering over their faces and the machine ran into a telephone pole. Soper and his companion escaped with a shaking up and a few stings.

SON KILLS FATHER.

Augusta, Ky., Aug. 28.—Near Minerva, this county, last night, Louis Bruist was shot five times by his son, John Bruist, aged twenty years. The older Bruist came home drunk from Maysville and began terrorizing the entire family, knocking his wife down and beating the children.

Many Already Apply for Dr. Board's Job

WANT APPOINTMENT AS MEMBER OF STATE BOARD OF CONTROL.

Many applications have already been made to Gov. Willson for the place on the Board of Control now held by Dr. Milton Board, whose time will expire in January. Dr. Board has not applied for reappointment and will not ask for it but he would accept if he was named. Some of those who have applied for the place have been men who have voted the Republican ticket last fall and they have relied on this to get the job, but it is understood that the Governor has decided to appoint a Democrat, one who is regular and who does not belong in the class known as "bolters." The Governor is required by law to appoint a Democrat. It is not improbable that Dr. Board will be reappointed.

Louisville Police Look for Night Riders.

(Courier-Journal.)

Excitement prevailed out on West Market and West Jefferson street Wednesday night and all of yesterday because of wild rumors to the effect that night riders from the western part of Kentucky were here to wreak vengeance on two men said to be members of their band, and who are badly wanted by the Lyon county grand jury. Groups of men were seen about 1316 West Jefferson street, where Sanford Hall and Tom Stevens, the alleged fugitives, were supposed to be stopping. These men, attired in big black hats and bearing the appearance of mountaineers, occasionally peered in windows and threw the people of the neighborhood into what was almost hysteria.

Mrs. Lucy Rice, who lives at 1316 West Jefferson street, admitted yesterday that Hall and Stevens were at her home no longer than Wednesday, but said they did not stop there, but merely called for their mail. She says they have not been at her residence for over a week. According to Mrs. Rice, Hall and Stevens are at present in Jeffersonville, but told her they intended going to Frankfort.

As was stated yesterday, Col. Haager, Chief of Police, was informed that night riders were supposed to be in the city in quest of Hall and Stevens. When asked about the matter Wednesday night Col. Haager denied having any knowledge of the presence of any night riders in Louisville. However, it is known that he paid a visit to Mrs. Rice's residence, 1316 West Jefferson street, and that he sent detectives there. When the police arrived on the scene of reported trouble they found everything normal.

Lee Hampton To Marry Miss Kieth Vansant.

One more bachelor in the bunch employed at the State House is to become a Benedict. Lee Hampton is to be married in Harrodsburg, next Wednesday. The bride-to-be is Miss Kieth Vansant, of Harrodsburg, which is Mr. Hampton's home. She is an attractive young woman. Mr. Hampton is Deputy Insurance Commissioner, and is one of the most popular young men among the new State employees.

OIL STRUCK IN FARM IN FAYETTE COUNTY.

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 28.—While hands were drilling a well for water late yesterday on the Elmendorf Farm of J. B. Haggin, oil was struck at the depth of 140 feet. The oil is black and it is believed a valuable vein has been struck. Manager C. H. Berryman is away and operations have been suspended until his return.